



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES

Thursday, April 28, 2016, 10:00 A.M.

Willowbank Office Building
420 Holmes Street, Room 146
Bellefonte, PA 16823

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- I. CALL TO ORDER
 - II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
 - III. PUBLIC COMMENT

In accordance with the Sunshine Act, attendees will be given the opportunity to comment on matters of concern, official action, or deliberation before the Board of Commissioners. For items not on the agenda, the Board of Commissioners will accept public comment at the beginning of each meeting. For items that are on the agenda, the Board will accept public comment prior to each official action. Persons desiring to comment should raise their hand to be recognized by the Chair. Anyone addressing the Board will be given a five-minute time period in which to do so.

The Board of Centre County Commissioners met for their meeting on Thursday, April 28, 2016 at 10:03 AM. In attendance were Commissioners Michael Pipe, Chair; Mark Higgins, Vice-Chair; Steven G. Dershem, Commissioner; Denise L. Elbell, Acting County Administrator; Natalie Corman, Deputy County Administrator/Human Services Administrator; Elizabeth Dupuis, County Solicitor; and Executive Secretary Kimberly Smeltzer.

Representatives present from the news media included Gary Sinderson and Jeremy Hartley.

County Personnel present included Sheriff Sampsel and Melanie Gordon.

No Visitors were present

C-NET Staff were present

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM by Commissioner Pipe.

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IV. MEETING MINUTES

- A. Motion by Commissioner Higgins to approve the Minutes from the Board of Commissioners meeting held Tuesday, April 19, 2016. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dershem and unanimously approved.

V. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Motion by Commissioner Higgins to approve the Letter of Agreement between the County and the PA State Police to investigate alleged sexual crimes committed within the Centre County Correctional Facilities. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dershem and unanimously approved – Dept. 333.

Melanie Gordon was present to provide background information on the above referenced item.

- B. Motion by Commissioner Higgins to approve a Liquid Fuels Application from Port Matilda Borough in the amount of \$19,000 for paving various streets. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dershem and unanimously approved – Dept. 411.
- C. Motion by Commissioner Higgins to approve a CHECK RUN in the amount of \$6,071,819.37 dated April 22, 2016. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dershem and unanimously approved.

VI. Motion by Commissioner Higgins to approve the following (A-C) CONSENT AGENDA Items:

- A. AGING – Cooperative Grant Agreement between the County and PA Department of Aging to provide funding through the Aging Block Grant for general services provided by the Office of Aging. The grant total is \$7,617,900 with the source of funding as follows: State \$6,031,315; Federal \$1,586,585 for the period July 1, 2016 through and including June 30, 2021.
- B. AGING – Support Letter for Centre Region Parks and Recreation for Senior Center Project.
- C. COMMISSIONERS – Contract Addendum between the County and Babst/Calland Attorneys at Law to provide legal services for Centre County Correctional Facility labor and employment matters, to include negotiations and grievances with the SEIU PSSU Local 668 for a rate of \$225/hour.

Motion seconded by Commissioner Dershem and unanimously approved.

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VII. DEPARTMENT HEADS/DIRECTORS/GUESTS

- A. Motion by Commissioner Dershem to add the negotiation of a bulk purchase of practice ammunition from one of the local municipalities to the agenda as an Action Item. Commissioner Higgins seconded motion and it was unanimously approved. Sheriff Sampsel mentioned it would cost approximately \$200/Case for a total of \$6,000. Motion by Commissioner Dershem to purchase this ammunition. Motion seconded by Commissioner Higgins and unanimously approved.

VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. CCIDA/GA – After a discussion on the Authorities the Board would like to proceed with the following this year:
 - 1) Dissolve the General Authority – (GA)
 - 2) Keep the Centre County Industrial Development Authority – (CCIDA)
 - 3) Eliminate 50% of all fees that were to go to the County
 - 4) Re-coup the fees from the CCIDA when feasible
 - 5) \$15,000 budgeted for 2016
 - 6) A commitment of \$10,000 each year to the CCIDA for 2017 & 2018
 - 7) Forgiving the debt owed by CCIDA
 - 8) Satisfy the current payable to the authority's legal counsel
- B. Commissioner Dershem would like to pursue industrial and economic development moving forward with the CCIDA. Commissioner Pipe will contact Jack Infield with the Strategic Plan.

IX. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The following correspondence was received in the Commissioners' Office and will be handled appropriately

- A. Centre History – Old House Fair – 4/29/16 and 4/30/16
- B. Department of Corrections – Compliance Report – CCCF
- C. We Petition & Lobby – E-mail lobbying
- D. Commonwealth of PA – ACH – HMRF - \$8,870
- E. Calvin Miller – MH/ID/EI – ABC Application – Advisory Board
- F. Commonwealth of PA – ACH – Prison - \$14,740
- G. Commonwealth of PA – ACH – CYS - \$70,944.74
- H. Commonwealth of PA – ACH - \$45,757.80
- I. Commonwealth of PA – ACH – Title IV-B - \$25,214
- J. Commonwealth of PA – ACH – HSBG - \$1,440,784
- K. CCMPO – Agenda – 4-20-2016 Meeting

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L. Commonwealth of PA – ACH – CYS – Letter – Title IV-B Funding

X. RECOGNITIONS

- i. EAGLE SCOUT AWARD – Terrance Saylor – Boy Scout Troop 32 of State College.

XI. C-NET REQUESTS

N/A

XII. REPORTS – ANNOUNCEMENTS – ELECTIONS

A. Commissioner Dershem reported there was no Voter Registration Report but extended his thanks to all county staff, volunteers, poll workers and students that assisted with the Election process.

B. Mrs. Elbell announced there were no Executive Sessions to report.

C. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, April 26, 2016

ELECTION DAY

Board of Commissioners – 10:00 AM – Room 146WB - CANCELLED

Solicitor Meeting – 11:00 AM - CANCELLED

Rose Cologne Volunteer Recognition Dinner – Penn Stater – 6:00 PM

Wednesday, April 27, 2016

SEDA-COG Board Meeting – Lewisburg – 1:00 PM

RSVP Advisory Council – 1:30 PM – Room 116WB

Thursday, April 28, 2016

Finance Committee Meeting – 9:00 AM – Room 146WB

BOC Salary Board – 10:00 AM – Room 146WB

Retirement Board – 11:00 AM – Room 146WB

PA Wilds Dinner Banquet – 4:00 PM – St. Mary's

Friday, April 29, 2016

MVEDP 28th Annual Awards Luncheon

Old House Fair – 12:00 PM – Match Factory – Bellefonte

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D. ELECTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, May 3, 2016

Last day for County Board of Elections to receive voted military and overseas absentee ballots

Monday, August 1, 2016

Last day to circulate and file nomination papers

Monday, August 8, 2016

Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated by nomination papers

Monday, August 15, 2016

Last day for withdrawal by candidates nominated at the Primary

Tuesday, October 11, 2016

Last day to REGISTER before the November Election

Tuesday, November 1, 2016

Last day to apply for civilian absentee ballot

Friday, November 4, 2016

Last day for County Boards of Election to receive voted civilian absentee ballots

Tuesday, November 8, 2016

GENERAL ELECTION

XIII. QUESTIONS FROM THE PRESS

- XIV. MOTION BY COMMISSIONER HIGGINS to adjourn the meeting at 10:35 AM. Motion seconded by Commissioner Dershem and unanimously approved.